



Acquisition and Possession of Privately Owned Firearms in Germany



Acquisition and possession of Privately Owned Firearms (POF) by uniformed or civilian members of the US Forces in Germany is governed by the German Weapons Law (and US Forces Regulations). All members of the US Forces receive their German weapons permits from the German Federal Office of Administration in Cologne. However, most interaction with this office by US Forces personnel is undertaken through the USAREUR Provost Marshal's Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV/Weapons Section), located in Mannheim.

Keep in mind that the German Weapons Law, although applicable to US Forces personnel, is written from a German citizen's perspective. It does not take into consideration that some individuals may have owned POF for many years in the US. It assumes that at some point a German becomes interested in shooting and/or hunting and knows virtually nothing about firearms.

In order to legally possess POF in Germany you must obtain a German Weapons Possession Card (*Waffenbesitzkarte*/WBK). Such a card is NOT a concealed or a non-concealed weapons permit (meaning it is not a permit to carry POF around with you while shopping, etc.). A WBK is a permit that allows you to purchase certain POF, use them on ranges (or in the case of hunters, while hunting), store them at home (in a weapons safe meeting German security specifications), and transport them from home, in the trunk of your car (POF kept in a case and separate from ammo) to a range, hunting area, or gun smith. It does not permit you to have with you or even carry POF inside the vehicle while driving around, going shopping, etc. If you intend to use only loaner guns from the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facilities to shoot at their ranges you do not need a permit (WBK). If you want to purchase your own POF or bring POF you own from the US into Germany you will have to be a sport shooter or a hunter and be in possession of a WBK before you take control of the weapon in Germany. This WBK is only a valid document in Germany.

In the context of this article a weapon or firearm is a device that uses cartridges and fires bullets or shot (e.g. a shot gun, a .30-06, a .22, 9mm, etc.), but also includes high-powered air rifles (more than 7.5 joules). Single shot black powder guns, low-power air rifles, soft-air, paint-ball markers, starter/signal pistols, bows, cross-bows may also be considered weapons but are treated differently. Starter or signal pistols, for example, may be kept permit-free within your apartment or house. If you intend to take a starter/signal pistol outside your residence you will have to have a Small Weapons Permit. Check with your Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility, the RMV/Weapons Section, or this office for details. Addresses, phone numbers, websites, a listing of forms, prices, etc. are at the end of this document.

German firearms law provides for two separate methods of obtaining such a WBK for legal POF ownership. There are some other exceptions but under normal circumstances these exceptions will not apply to most US Forces members. The two methods are both founded on the concept of establishing a "need" to have POF:

1. A licensed hunter in Germany has a need to own certain weapons for hunting;
2. A sport shooter has a need to own certain weapons to conduct that sport.

Each category has certain procedures and restrictions that need to be observed. An individual may also become both a hunter and a sport shooter.

POF owners are required to have the appropriate liability insurance in Germany. This insurance covers accidental damage that may be caused to persons or property as a result of ownership or use of POF. For sport shooters, such insurance is available from some Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facilities in form of "pay-as-you-go" daily insurance (less than \$5.00) or from German insurance companies on an annual basis. The cost varies from approx. €50 to €150 per year. This is the preferred type of insurance, and it usually also covers any other accidental damage you may cause (e.g. breaking a vase at someone's house). For hunters, the insurance can be purchased from German insurance companies from €80 to €150 for 3 years (this only covers hunting related damages).

A hunter may normally not purchase more than 2 POF in a 6 month period, may own up to two hand guns (for final kill shots of wounded animals only and range shooting) and any reasonable number of long (no fully automatic weapons and no weapons of war). Each of the POF owned must be permitted under the German hunting law and suitable for hunting. Bow/cross-bow hunting and hand gun hunting are illegal in Germany. Faulknery and trapping of certain animals is legal under certain conditions, but requires a special license. Hunters may purchase any legal long gun ammunition. Their hunting license also serves as a long gun ammo permit. Hand gun ammo may only be purchased if a hand gun is listed on their WBK and if an ammo stamp has been applied to the WBK for that hand gun. The magazine capacity for semi-auto long guns utilized by a hunter must be restricted to 2 rounds in the magazine and one round in the chamber.

If you have become a hunter, you must keep the hunting license and hunting liability insurance active for as long as you own the POF in Germany. As a hunter, you are permitted to utilize shooting ranges for practice, to sight in your weapons, and to participate in certain shooting competitions. There are certain sport shooting disciplines in which you may compete without officially being a sport shooter. Your Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility or this office can provide additional details. The minimum age requirement to obtain a hunting license is 18 at the time application for the hunting license is made. The US Forces hunting course, however, may be completed prior to the hunting license applicant's 18th birthday.

A sport shooter may normally not purchase more than 2 POF in a 6 month period. A sport shooter may own up to a total of 4 hand guns (of different types), up to 3 semi-automatic long guns, plus any reasonable number of bolt-action/single shot long and hand guns (no fully automatic weapons and no weapons of war). Keep in mind that each of the POF you intend to own must fit within a discipline offered by the program or club of which you are a member. Sport shooter hand guns must have a barrel length of 3" or more (any firearm under 3" barrel length is an illegal weapon). Sport shooters may only purchase ammo for POF listed in their WBK (if ammo stamps have been applied to the weapons in the WBK). If you are a sport shooter, you must remain an active member of a sport shooting program or club and maintain active liability insurance (covering sport shooting) for as long as you intend to have POF in Germany. An active member of a US Forces Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Program is a person that shoots at least 18 times within a 12 month period (a log book signed by the club must be kept). If you are a member of a German shooting club, club requirements may differ. The applicant must be 18 years of age for rifle calibers of .22lr and smaller (and less than 200 joules) or single shot shot-guns of 12 gauge and smaller. Any other calibers require that the applicant be 21 years of age. The magazine capacity for any long gun utilized by sport shooters must not exceed 10 rounds.

Ammunition!

As stated above, hunters may purchase any legal long gun ammo (and take it home) – their hunting license serves as an ammo purchase permit. Any ammo for hand guns may only be in the hands of hunters if a hand gun has been entered on a WBK and the ammo stamp for that hand gun has been applied to that entry. Sport shooters may only purchase (and take home) ammo for POF that have been entered in their WBK and that have the ammo stamp applied to those entries. The only exceptions in cases ammo stamps for a particular caliber have not been obtained are:

- Ammo purchases at the range for immediate use at the range (you may not take ammo away from the range).
- Ammo for signal/starter pistols (blanks, tear gas, signal)
- Having obtained a re-loading permit [*Sprengstoffwerbschein*] (also called "powder license," see below) which serves as ammo permit for any legal ammo.

In other words, if you are not at a range you may only have ammo if you have the proper permit (hunting license for long gun ammo, or ammo stamp for a particular caliber in WBK, or a re-loading permit).

Re-Loading!

A re-loading permit (also sometimes referred to as a powder license) in Germany can be obtained from the local weapon's authorities (city hall or county office). A prerequisite is attending a re-loading class and passing the exam. Periodic courses are arranged for by various Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facilities. The course is generally conducted over 2 days and costs approx. € 150. Such a permit allows purchase and ownership of re-loading equipment, primers, black or nitro cellulose powder for the manufacture of ammunition. During the course you will also be taught what to observe if you intend to give away or sell self-made ammunition.

How do I become a hunter?

You become a member of the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Program. You sign up for a hunting course at a Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility, attend all classes (8 weeks, generally Mon/Tue evenings and Sat all day), pass a shooting, written, and oral exam that is proctored by a German official. The tests and instruction will be in English but you are required to learn some German terminology. This is important since you will hunt on German land and you must be able to communicate with your hosts. At a minimum you must be able to understand which animals are open for the hunt and safety related information. Once you have passed the course, visit your local German county or city hall (Landratsamt/Rathaus) with your test certificate, proof of hunter's liability insurance, an application form (AE Form 215-145A), an FBI Background check (AE Form 190-6D, Part A), and 2 passport photos. That office will then issue you a German Hunting License (*Jagdschein*). Hunting licenses are generally issued for 1 or 3 years at a time. Upon expiration, they may be renewed. Once you have a hunting license, you will be eligible for renewal for life. That means even if your hunting license expired from a tour to Germany 10 years ago, you can have it renewed during your next tour.

Your hunting license must be renewed upon expiration for as long as you want to keep your POF in Germany and your WBK. Your hunting liability insurance must be active for as long as you have a valid hunting license.

Once you have obtained your hunting license you are eligible to apply for a WBK based on your status as a hunter having a need to own firearms.

Keep in mind that both, the German Weapons Law and the German Hunting Law, although applicable to US Forces personnel, are written from a German citizen's perspective. They do not take into consideration that some individuals may have owned POF for many years in the US. It assumes that at some point a German becomes interested in shooting or hunting and knows virtually nothing about firearms.

How do I get a WBK once I am a hunter?

- a. First you have to ensure that your FBI background check (AE Form 190-6D, Part A) is not older than 12 months. In case you do not have a current FBI background check, submit the form to obtain one. This process usually takes no more than a few weeks. RMV/Weapons Section will take care of that for you. (Note: Simply having a Secret or any other type of clearance is not an acceptable alternative to an FBI background check).
- b. Make a photocopy of your hunting license (front cover & inside)
- c. Obtain and fill out AE Form 190-6D – US Forces Application for Registration of a Firearm
- d. Obtain and fill out AE Form 190-6D, Part B – Application for Issuance of a Permit Pursuant to the Weapons Law. Only check the box for owners of a hunting license and the box for entitlement to acquire ammunition (Page 1 top). Do not check any boxes related to sport shooting. Since this form goes to German authorities, any terms relating to the firearm you intend to register must be in German (e.g. Buechse instead of Rifle). Your Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility can assist.
- e. Make a copy of the document that proves ownership (e.g. bill of sale). As a hunting license owner you may purchase and take possession of long guns immediately from German stores. You are required to submit your registration package within 2 weeks of taking possession of the firearm. Failure to comply will trigger immediate reactions from the German Government, resulting in possible denial/revocation of your WBK. In case you are purchasing a firearm from a Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility you may not take possession of the firearm until your registration package has been submitted to the RMV/Weapons Section. Any hand guns require a prior full approval or a pre-approval by the German authorities. A prior full approval is the preferred method and is used if you already know the make, model, caliber, and serial number. A pre-approval is used in case you intend to purchase or order a weapon but you do not yet know the serial number. In that case you submit your application package as if you had purchased a weapon, indicating caliber and type of weapon (revolver/pistol); in the serial number field you enter "Pre-Approval/Voreintrag). Once the WBK arrives with the pre-approval you may purchase a hand gun as indicated in the WBK (the particular caliber and the type of weapon you requested). You are then required to submit proof of ownership (bill of sale) to the RMV/Weapons Section along with your WBK for completion of the entry (adding the make, model, serial number, validation stamp by German authorities).
- f. Obtain and fill out AE Form 190-6H(a) or 190-6H(b) depending on your status. A military officer of the rank O-5 or higher must sign the form (normally your commander). Civilian equivalent leaders are not authorized to sign this form. This form cannot be dated older than 12 months.
- g. As a hunter you do **not** need to take the Firearms Test (AE Form 190-6K) at the Education Center and the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility. Your Hunting License is proof that you have the appropriate firearms knowledge.

- h. You do **not** need to obtain an AE Form 190-6L "Certificate of Need". Your hunting license suffices to establish a need to obtain POF.
- i. You do **not** need to maintain a personal shooters log (e.g. green memorandum book signed/stamped by the facility or club for every time you shot).
- j. In case you already have a WBK make a copy for yourself and **include the original** in the package.
- k. Take or mail the entire package to RMV for processing.
- l. RMV/Weapons Section will register your firearm with the USAREUR system and forward your package to the German authorities in Cologne. Upon approval, that German office will send an invoice to your German civilian address, upon receipt of payment via bank transfer the German authorities in Cologne will mail the WBK to your German civilian address. To expedite the process provide the RMV/Weapons Section with a copy of the bank transfer receipt. In case of a pre-approval (for a hand gun), your WBK must go back to the RMV/Weapons Section along with the ownership document (bill of sale) for annotation of the make, model, serial number, and validation stamp by the German authorities.

WBKs are the property of the German government and must be returned to the German authorities via the RMV/Weapons Section upon revocation, departure (PCS) from Germany, or upon expiration of the need to own POF (hunting license expires or reliability requirements are no longer met). Non-compliance with the turn-in requirement will result in expiration dates being added to all WBKs for US Forces members.

There are no blank WBKs available. A WBK card is only issued in conjunction with registration of at least one firearm.

To add or delete firearms from your existing WBK, follow steps "a" through "l" above.

How do I become a Sport Shooter?

Sport Shooters are required to be a member of the US Forces Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Program or a German sport shooting club. Your membership must be renewed upon/prior to expiration for as long as you want to keep your POF and your WBK in Germany. Your liability insurance must be active for as long as you have the POF and the WBK in Germany. German law requires personal liability insurance that covers sport shooting in case of damage to persons or property. Such insurance is available from some Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facilities in form of "pay-as-you-go" daily insurance (less than \$5.00) or from German insurance companies on an annual basis. The cost varies from approx. € 50 to €150 per year.

Keep in mind that the German Weapons Law, although applicable to US Forces personnel, is written from a German citizen's perspective. It does not take into consideration that some individuals may have owned POF for many years in the US. It assumes that at some point a German becomes interested in shooting and knows virtually nothing about firearms.

Step-by-Step (steps for membership in a German Club are similar)

- a) You join the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Program
 - b) You pass a written exam on firearms at any US Force Education Center (AE Form 190-6K will be stamped and issued)
 - c) You attend an instructional session on firearms usage at the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility (AE Form 190-6K will be endorsed by the club)
 - d) You provide the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility with a copy of your liability insurance
 - e) You shoot at least 18 times for a period of NLT 12 months and have the club sign off each time you shoot (using a loaner firearm from the club or your POF that may be stored there). Recommended is the use of a small green memorandum booklet to record each time you shoot.
- Once 12 months have passed and a) through e) have been completed, you can apply for your own Weapons Possession Card (WBK).

Keep in mind that you must remain an active member of a shooting club for as long as you intend to keep your POF in Germany. If you are not or no longer a sport shooter or a hunter, you have no need to own POF under German laws. This means your POF must be sold, destroyed, donated, or taken out of the country and the WBK returned to the German authorities.

How do I get a WBK once I am a sport shooter?

You do not need a WBK if you only intend to shoot using loaner weapons from the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility. If you intend to buy or bring over your POF from the US you will need a WBK.

You select one or more of the disciplines in which you would like to participate from our Sport Shooting Handbook (or in case of membership in a German Sport Shooting Club, from their handbook). The US Forces offer a total of 11 sport shooter hand gun disciplines and a total of 14 sport shooter long gun disciplines.

- a. Make a copy of your small green Memorandum booklet (showing at least 18 times of shooting over a 12 month period).
- b. Ensure that your FBI background check (AE Form 190-6D, Part A) is not older than 12 months. In case you do not have a FBI background check, submit the form to obtain one. This process usually takes no more than a few weeks. RMV/Weapons Section will take care of that for you. Note: Possession of a Secret or any other type of clearance is not an acceptable alternative to the FBI background check.
- c. Obtain and fill out AE Form 190-6D – US Forces Application for Registration of a Firearm
- d. Obtain and fill out AE Form 190-6D, Part B – Application for Issuance of a Permit Pursuant to the Weapons Law. Only check the box for sport shooters and the box for entitlement to acquire ammunition. Since this form goes to German authorities, any terms relating to the firearm(s) you intend to register must be in German (e.g. Buechse instead of Rifle). Your Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility can assist.
- e. Make a copy of the document that proves ownership if you already have POF (e.g. bill of sale), and fill in make, model, caliber, serial number, etc. If you don't own POF over here but you intend to purchase one fill in the type of weapon and caliber you intend to purchase. If you already know the make, model, serial number, add that in the appropriate spaces. If you do not yet know the make, model, serial number write "Pre-Approval/Voreintrag" in the serial number column.

- f. Obtain and fill out AE Form 190-6H(a) or 190-6H(b) depending on your status. A military officer of the rank O-5 or higher must sign the form (normally your commander). Civilian equivalent leaders are not authorized to sign this form. This form cannot be dated older than 12 months.
- g. Go to an Education Center and take the firearms test. You must pass the test to obtain the AE Form 190-6K "Certificate of Examination Regarding Technical Knowledge".
- h. Take the AE Form 190-6K from the Education Center to the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility. There you will be tested on firearms handling. If you pass the test, the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility will stamp this form for you also.
- i. Obtain an AE Form 190-6L "Certificate of Need" from the Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility. This form will be issued to you if you are a club member, an active participant of the shooting sport, and have met the requirement of having shot 18 times in a 12 month period. Entries on this form regarding make, model, and caliber will have to match the entries on the AE Form 190-6D, Part B.
- j. Make a copy of your personal shooters log (e.g. green memorandum book signed/stamped by the club for every type of gun you shot).
- k. In case you already have a WBK make a copy for yourself and **include the original** in the package.
- l. Take or mail all of the above to the IMA-E, MWRD Hunting & Fishing Office (see end of document). This office will review the package and endorse the AE Form 190-6L. Await return of the package to you.
- m. Take or mail the entire package to Vehicle Registration/Weapons Section (see end of document).
- n. RMV/Weapons Section will register your firearm or your intended purchase with the USAREUR system and forward your package to the German authorities in Cologne. Upon approval, the German authorities will send an invoice to your German civilian address; upon receipt of payment via bank transfer the authorities will mail the WBK to your German civilian address. To expedite the process provide the RMV/Weapons Section with a copy of the bank transfer receipt. In case of a pre-approval, your WBK must go back to the RMV/Weapons Section along with the ownership document (bill of sale) for annotation of the make, model, serial number, and validation stamp by the German authorities.

NOTE: As a sport shooter you may not take possession of POF until either a pre-approval or an approval has been entered in a WBK and you have the WBK in your possession. You may not modify the WBK. Only the German authorities, RMV/Weapons Section, or a German licensed firearms dealer may do that. Entries on your WBK and the POF you own must match.

WBKs are the property of the German government and must be returned to the German authorities via the RMV/Weapons Section upon revocation, departure (PCS) from Germany, or upon expiration of the need to own POF (sport shooting membership expires or reliability requirements are no longer met). Non-compliance with the turn-in requirement will result in expiration dates being added to all WBKs for US Forces members.

There are no blank WBKs available. A WBK card is only issued in conjunction with registration of at least one firearm.

To add or delete firearms from your existing WBK, follow steps "a" through "n" above.

Bringing POF to Germany: Prior to bringing POF to Germany you must be in possession of a valid WBK that lists the POF you intend to bring entered on it. Please check with the RMV/Weapons Section, or this office for details.

PCS or other type of move away from Germany: Prior to leaving Germany you are required to deregister/clear your weapons with the RMV/Weapons Section. You are also required to surrender your WBK to that office. Non-compliance with the turn-in requirement will result in expiration dates being added to WBKs of US Forces members. Make sure to keep a photocopy of your WBK in case of a future PCS to Germany. RMV/Weapons Section will send your WBK to the issuing office. If at some point in the future you are stationed in Germany again, you can request your WBK be re-issued through the RMV/Weapons Section. You are well advised to check with the RMV/Weapons Section prior to taking/shipping your POF to the US. Not all firearms available in Europe may be imported to the USA. There may also be ATF paperwork required prior to shipment. You should look into this no less than 6 months prior to departure. Contact information is at the end of this document.

Change in Your Personal POF Inventory: In case you are selling, donating, destroying, swapping POF, or shipping them out of Germany you will have to make sure your WBK will be modified to reflect this change in your POF inventory. All POF you own must be on the WBK, any POF that are no longer with you must be deleted from the WBK. The only offices authorized to modify your WBK are the German authorities in Cologne, the RMV/Weapons Section, or a German licensed dealer (in case he buys POF from you). Remember you will always have to prove the whereabouts of your POF. If POF are sold you will need to show a bill of sale, if donated or destroyed, you will need to provide documents to prove this. You are required to notify the RMV/Weapons Section prior to any transaction that involves POF leaving your possession. For transactions involving modifications to your WBK (adding/deleting firearms) your AE Form 190-6D, Part A (Background Check) and your AE Form 190-6H(a)/(b) (Commander's Statement of Reliability) cannot be older than 12 months (you must also submit the other required documents from above "i" or "a" through "n").

Taking POF to Other Countries: There may be opportunities to take POF from Germany to other countries. Examples are a hunt in the Czech Republic, Austria, South Africa, or a sport shooting competition you may want to enter in France. All these things can be done, but they must be done in the proper manner. In some cases, you will have to present a written invitation, in other cases you may only need a simple form to be obtained at the departure airport (e.g. INF-3). Keep in mind that POF legal in Germany may not be legal in another country. Please check with this office or the RMV/Weapons Section prior to taking POF out of Germany. Check ahead of time and check early.

NOTE: any POF to be fired in Germany must have a proof mark on it. Such a proof mark is verification that the weapon is safe to fire. The proof mark is a small seal stamped into the metal (usually on the barrel). It is illegal to fire POF without a proof mark. POF purchased from Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facilities or German dealers have such a proof mark. POF purchased in the US or a few other countries most likely have not been tested and marked. You are responsible to ensure the proof mark is stamped on POF. Failure to have a proof mark can cause you to be charged with possession of an illegal firearm by the German authorities. If your POF do not have a proof mark they must be sent to a German testing lab for test firing. Expect the cost to be on the order of € 25 to € 35 per weapon. Contact this office or a German gun dealer for details.

NOTE: alcohol related offenses (DUI/DWI) and domestic violence are examples for which weapons permits and reloading permits will be denied or revoked by German authorities.

Pump-Action Guns: Some misconceptions exist regarding the legality of pump-action shotguns in Germany. Pump-action guns are legal in Germany and may be registered on WBKs, provided they are long guns (min. 30cm barrel & closed bolt and min. 60cm overall length) and they have a rear stock. The only pump-action guns that are illegal in Germany are models that only have a pistol grip and no rear stock.

Finding Hunting and Sport Shooting Opportunities: Generally hunts in Germany are based on invitations by the city, state, or hunting area owners. Some hunts are also advertised for participation against payment. Your local Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility and this office can assist you in finding/obtaining hunting opportunities. Sport shooting opportunities are offered regularly by the Sport Shooting Facilities and also by German shooting clubs. Your local Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility and this office can assist you in finding these opportunities.

Pricing:

The following are some prices you will encounter when dealing with POF in Germany.

Hunting Course:	\$ 175.00
Hunting License:	€ 190.00 for 3 years
Hunting Liability Insurance:	€ 80-150 for 3 years
Personal Liability for Sport Shooting:	€ 80-150/year
Initial issue of WBK for Hunters (only long guns):	€ 25.56
Initial issue of a WBK when entering long and hand guns:	€ 56.24
Initial issue of a WBK for sport shooters:	€ 56.24
Adding one or more long guns to WBK for hunters:	€ 17.90
Adding a hand gun for hunters to WBK:	€ 40.90
Adding ammunition purchase permit to WBK:	€ 25.56
Deleting a weapon from WBK:	€ 12.78
Turn-in or re-issue of WBK (upon PCS):	€ 0.00
Initial issue of a European Firearms Pass:	€ 40.90
Other entries into or deletions from a European Firearms Pass:	€ 10.23
Re-Loading Class	€ 150.00
Re-Loading Permit	€ 150.00-170.00
Small Weapon's Permit (signal/starter pistols)	€ 50.00
Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facility Membership:	\$ 15.00 per year
German Class A, B, 0 or 1 Weapons Safe for proper storage:	€ 150.00 and up
Obtaining Proof-Mark on firearm through German testing office	€ 25.00-35.00/Gun

-----prices above are estimates and may vary slightly-----

All other requirements (Knowledge Exam, FBI background check, etc.) are free of charge.

The following are all POF-related forms you may need for POF-related actions in Germany:

AE 190-6D:	U.S. Forces Application for Registration of a Firearm
AE 190-6D Part A:	Application for/Authorization to Conduct Background Investigation
AE 190-6D Part B:	Application for Issuance of a Permit Pursuant to the Weapons Law (WaffG)/Antrag auf Erteilung einer Erlaubnis nach dem Waffengesetz (WaffG)
AE 190-6F:	Certification of Release/Donation of POF
AE 190-6G:	Weapons Bill of Sale/Schußwaffen Kaufvertrag
AE 190-6H(a):	Commander's Statement of Reliability/Unbedenklichkeitsbescheinigung
AE 190-6H(b):	Commander's Statement of Reliability/Unbedenklichkeitsbescheinigung (Family members only)
AE 190-6J:	Request for Privately Owned Firearm Cancellation
AE 190-6K:	Certificate of Examination Regarding Technical Knowledge
AE 190-6L:	Certificate of Need/Bedürfnisnachweis
AE 190-6M:	Application for a European Weapons Permit
AE 190-6N	Application for Issuance of a Small Weapons Permit for Gas/Blank Firearms / Antrag auf Ausstellung eines kleinen Waffenscheins für Gas/Schreckschusswaffen
AE 215-145A:	Application for Issuance/Renewal of a German Hunting License for U.S. Members of the Forces stationed in Germany/Antrag auf Erteilung/Verlängerung eines Jagdscheins für in Deutschland stationierte Mitglieder der US-Streitkräfte
AE 215-145E:	Prüfungszeugnis/Examination Certificate (Jagd/Hunting)

These forms can be found at the USAREUR Publications website:

<https://www.aeaim.hqusareur.army.mil/library/>

The following are the regulations that cover POF in Europe:

Army in Europe Regulation 190-6

Registration and Control of Privately Owned Firearms and Other Weapons in Germany, 20 Jul 2006

Army in Europe Regulation 215-145

Hunting, Fishing , and Sport Shooting in Germany, 1 Aug 2006

These regulations can be found at the USAREUR Publications website:

<https://www.aeaim.hqusareur.army.mil/library/>

Importing POF to the US (HQUSAREUR OPM Website) with links to Import Forms:

<http://www.hqusareur.army.mil/opm/guns.htm>

HQUSAREUR OPM, Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) Website (also has forms):

<http://rmv.hqusareur.army.mil/>

Aside from Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Facilities (e.g. Rod & Gun Clubs), the following are offices you will need to contact:

IMA-E, MWRD Business Branch, Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Office

Unit 29353, Box 200, APO AE 09014

Bldg. 3736, Campbell Barracks, Heidelberg, DSN: 370-3727, Com: 06221-57-3727

Any Vehicle Registration Station or their main office at:

USAREUR Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV)/Weapons Section, Unit 29230, APO AE 09102

Bldg. 335, Room 210, Taylor Barracks, Mannheim, DSN: 386-7262, Com: 0621-718-7262

POC for this information is: Rafael Wunsch, IMA-E, MWRD Business Branch

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